

## CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

## INFORMATION REPORT

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This report consists of a sketch of the port of Poti (N 42-10, E 41-42) with a legend, and a series of sketches of naval vessels observed in the port.

Legend to the Sketch of Poti

1. At this position, there were six or seven naval vessels, all of the same class. For sketch of this vessel, see Sketch D on page 4. The length of the ship was estimated as 150 feet. Armament consisted of one gun forward and one aft. The guns, of unknown caliber, were mounted in turrets. Depth charges were located aft.
2. Four 8-ton, electric, travelling cranes.
3. Six, electric, travelling cranes; four of the cranes were the 8-ton type described above, and the other two were 12-ton cranes. For a sketch of these cranes, see Sketch J on page 5.
4. Floating dock of 3,000 to 4,000 tons. A "T"-class minesweeper, and what appeared to be a corvette were undergoing repair in the dock.
5. Four corvettes, under refitting.
6. Three corvettes and one submarine, under refitting. One of the corvettes had pennant number 203; for a sketch of this corvette, see Sketch E on page 4. The submarine was red-lead.

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7. Three coastal patrol vessels [redacted] 25X1  
[redacted] For a sketch of this vessel, see Sketch F on page 5. 25X1
8. At this position, there was a vessel which appeared to be a large corvette; it docked in this position on 24 December 1952. The pennant number could not be observed. Its armament included antiaircraft guns. For a sketch of the radar on this vessel, see Sketch A on page 4.
9. Three 5-ton cranes.
10. Seven naval vessels. The four smaller ships [redacted] 25X1  
[redacted] See Sketch G on page 5. 25X1  
The three larger ones [redacted]  
See Sketch H on page 5.
11. An old battleship, with three funnels, under refitting. No further details could be observed except radar aerials on her foremast, which appear in Sketch B on page 4.
12. A small "T"-class minesweeper. For a sketch of its radar, see Sketch C on page 4.
13. An old troop transport, of about 7,000 tons. The crew of the ship was on board.
14. A large minesweeper or minelayer.
15. Four "S"-class submarines; [redacted] For a 25X1  
sketch of the submarine, see Sketch I on page 5.
16. Silo
17. Single-story warehouse; its contents were not known.
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19. Breakwater lights.
20. Submarine boom; only the buoys could be observed. The boom is placed across the harbor entrance at sunset.
21. Manganese loading berth. Soundings were taken and the depth was ascertained to be approximately 28 to 30 feet.
22. Tower construction, believed to be a radio station.
23. From a distance of one mile, four batteries of what appeared to be heavy coastal guns in fixed emplacements. At night, two searchlights were observed in operation in the vicinity. Two other searchlights were in operation south of the town.

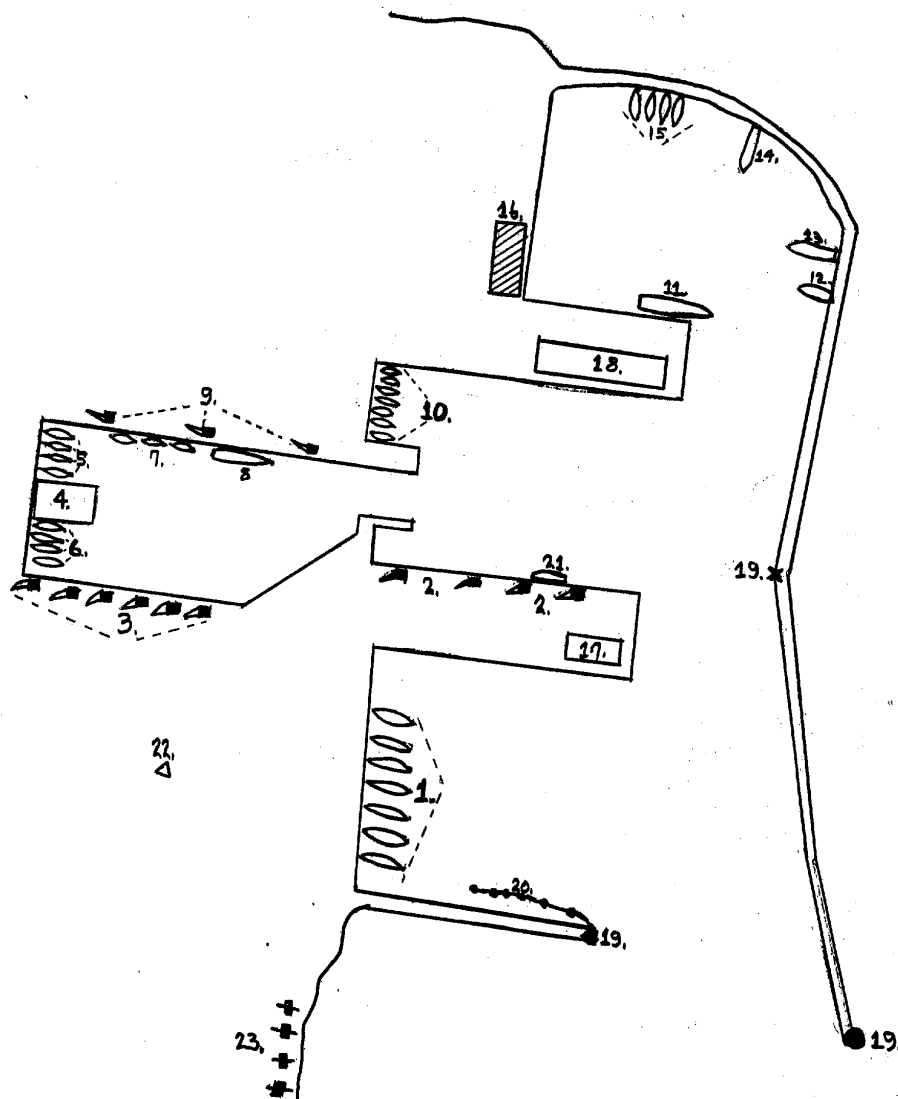
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Sketch of Poti:



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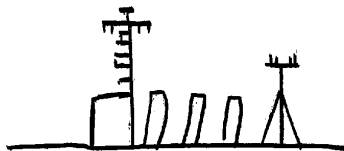
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Sketch A:



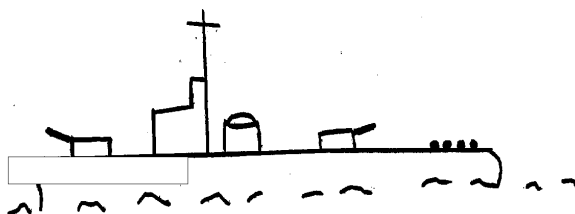
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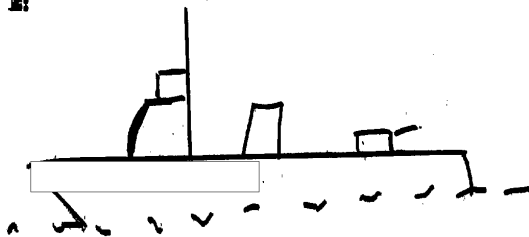


Sketch D:



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Sketch E:



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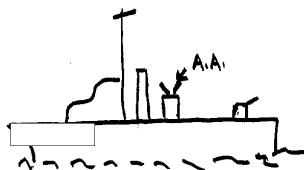
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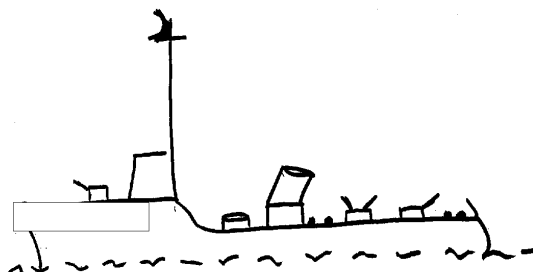
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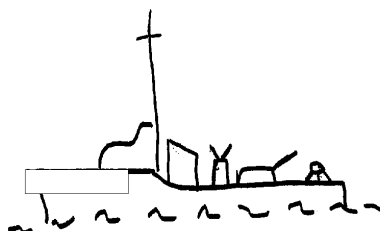
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Sketch G:



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Sketch H:



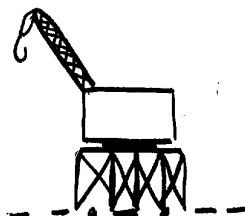
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Sketch I:



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Sketch J:



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